

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

Claim 1 (currently amended): An end closure assembly for a pressure vessel, the end closure assembly comprising:

 a non-metal universal head member positioned in an opening in the pressure vessel, wherein the universal head member has a size complementary to the opening in the pressure vessel;

 a retainer ring member engaged with the pressure vessel for retaining the universal head member in the opening in the pressure vessel; and

 a securing plate member engaged with the retainer ring member for securing the retainer ring member,

 wherein the retainer ring member is made of at least two arced elements that ~~are movable~~ can rotate relative to each other.

Claim 2 (original): The end closure assembly of claim 1, further comprising an elliptical head member.

Claim 3 (original): The end closure assembly of claim 2, wherein the elliptical head member is in contact with the universal head member.

Claim 4 (original): The end closure assembly of claim 1, wherein the universal head member further comprises an integral access section.

Claim 5 (original): The end closure assembly of claim 1, wherein the retainer ring member is non-metal.

Claim 6 (canceled)

Claim 7 (previously presented): The end closure assembly of claim 1, wherein the elements are substantially similar in shape.

Claim 8 (original): The end closure assembly of claim 7, wherein the elements are identical in shape.

Claim 9 (original): The end closure assembly of claim 1, wherein the universal head member is plastic.

Claim 10 (original): The end closure assembly of claim 1, wherein the universal head member comprises a domed-shaped element and a tubular element.

Claim 11 (original): The end closure assembly of claim 10, wherein the tubular element comprises a threaded portion.

Claim 12 (previously presented): The end closure assembly of claim 1, wherein the elements interlock and are linked.

Claims 13-14 (canceled)

Claim 15 (new): The end closure assembly of claim 1, wherein the at least two of the elements substantially mirror each other.